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Re: RESPONSE

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents POB 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the non-final Official Action, mailed June 18, 2003. Also enclosed is a petition for a one month extension of time along with a check for the requisite fee.

All remarks herein are made without prejudice. 07/01/2004 KJONES3 00000003 12/0415 09500475

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either internally consistent or consistent between the various independent claims in the application.

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit overpayment to deposit account no. 12-0415. In particular, if this response is not timely filed, then the Commissioner is authorized to treat this response as including a petition to extend the time period pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) requesting an extension of time of the number of months necessary to make this response timely filed and the petition fee due in connection therewith may be charged to deposit account no. 12-0415.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Post Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

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